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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of the Inventors Erik Laridon, Geoff Haas, and Rob Dankel, for **THERMOPLASTIC ARTICLES COMPRISING SILVER-CONTAINING ANTIMICROBIALS AND HIGH AMOUNTS OF CARBOXYLIC ACID SALTS FOR INCREASED SURFACE-AVAILABLE SILVER.**

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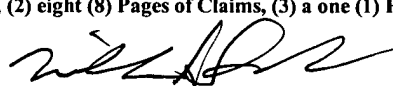
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